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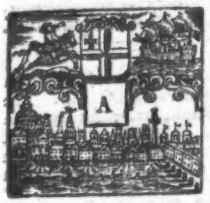
From my own APARTMENT.



Few Weeks ago I gave my Readers a Paper on the Discoveries of the *Microscope*, and pointed out some of the Wonders of Nature in *Miniature*. I shall now, by Way of Contrast, take a Survey of the *Great Creation*, and shew the same Wisdom and Power operating and moving thro' *infinite Space*, upon Bodies immensely large, and at Distances inconceivably vast, as we before admitted in the *Animalcula* of Beings imperceptible to the naked Eye, or in the *Globules* of Blood that flow unobstructed thro' the same Beings. And this I cannot better do than in the Words of the learned and pious Mr. *Whiston*, as I find them in the Recapitulation of his *Astronomical Principles of Religion*, printed in 1717.

'We have here, says he, seen a wonderful, a surprizing, an amazing System, or rather an innumerable Number of such Systems of Worlds; of Suns, of Planets, Primary and Secondary, and of Comets, with their several Atmospheres, all placed at immense Distances from one another; in various Positions, Velocities and Periods; in divers Circumstances and Magnitudes, ordain'd for several great Uses, and admitting different particular Laws; but so as every where to be subject to one Universal *Power of Gravity*, or mutual Tendency of all the Parts to one another, and that of a certain Quantity, and in certain Proportions. A Power this, amazing to think of! yet Undeniable, Regular, Universal as to Time, Place, and Bodies, and still Exact and Geometrical; yet at the same Time entirely and absolutely Immechanical, or beyond all Material Solutions, and Pretence of Material Solutions whatsoever; and indeed the proper Effect of a Supreme Being. We have seen, that accordingly this Immense World, or innumerable Number of Immense Worlds, are for certain all *God's Worlds*; or Created, Governed, and Provided for by One God, by One Supreme, Omnipotent and Omniscient Being; ever Present to all its Parts, and ever exerting his Infinite Power, Wisdom, and Goodness every where therein. We have seen that the noblest Principles of Natural Religion are fully and demonstratively deriv'd from the Phænomena of these Systems; and that not a few of the most Concerning, and otherwise most Exceptionable Parts of Divine Revelation, are also strongly confirm'd thereby. Nor is there now the least room for either of those Antient Refuges of Atheism and Irreligion; I mean the wild Hypotheses of the *Eternity of the World*; and of its Temporary Derivation from the *Accidental Concourse of Atoms*. All this we have now *seen* with our Eyes, and, as it were, *felt* with our Hands, in the foregoing Treatise. We have also there observ'd and prov'd, that this wonderful System of Things is not any bare Hypothesis, or meerly *probable Account* of the Heavenly Bodies, and their Motions, but the *certain Theory* of them, attested to be such by unquestionable Evidence, from Astronomical Observations, and from sure Geometrical Reasonings thereupon. So that the Conclusions regularly drawn from such Premises, ought themselves to be look'd on as *Certain*. We have there also distinctly follow'd the Steps of Nature, and drawn out her grand Secrets into plain Tables, for the Use of every Body; even of those who are not Mathematicians good enough to Calculate themselves: And have farther given the Manner and Reason of each Operation, for every ones entire Satisfaction. Nor need my Readers take even the *Lemmata* themselves for granted, if they understand but some Elements of Geometry.

'By these Calculations it is that we arrive at the compleatest and most exact Knowledge of this *Noble*, this *Amazing*, this *Divine System*. For here we discover that all the Heavenly Bodies *Revolve* in those most agreeable Geometrical Curves, the *Ellipses*; the Planets in those that are very little Eccentrical; and the Comets in those that are prodigiously so; even in such as are almost Parabolical. By which known and regular Orbits, we readily reduce their Motions to Calculation, and easily discover the Law of Gravity belonging to them. Here we contemplate the *Periods* of all the Planets Primary and Secondary, and of the Comets, about their Central Bodies, from the smallest Period of the Innermost Circumjovial of 42 Hours and a half, to the largest of the outmost Comet of 575 Years. Here we take a View of the vast middle *Distances* of all the Planets, Primary and Secondary, and of the Comets, from their Central Bodies, deriv'd from the best Observations, from the least of the innermost Circumjovials of 130,000, to the greatest of the utmost Comet of 5,600,000,000 Miles; the least of which Distances does prodigiously surpass the Power of Human Imagination, which can no way enlarge itself to any such Measure.

'Here also we may discover the surprizing *Magnitudes* of the several Bodies belonging to our System, both in Diameter, Superfices, and Solidity, from the smaller Quantities in our *Moon*, of 2170 Miles Diameter, 14,000,000 square Miles of Surface, and 5,000,000,000 cubical Miles of Solidity, to the vastly greater Quantities in the *Sun* of 767,000 Miles Diameter, 1,813,200,000,000 square Miles of Surface, and 230,000,000,000,000,000 cubical Miles of Solidity. Numbers that are still more immensely beyond all human Imagination, and such as, if *Epicurus* or *Lucretius* were alive, who could raise their stupid Conceptions no farther than the Largeness of a Cart-Wheel for the *Sun* itself, would have quite affrighted them out of their foolish Philosophy. We here learn the *Annual Velocities* of the several Planets, Primary and Secundary; and of the Comets, from the slowest Motion of the *Moon*, of 2200 Miles, to the Swiftest of *Mercury*, of 160,000 Miles in the Space of one Hour. As also we here learn the *Diurnal Velocities* at the Equator, the Slowest of the Moon of 10 Miles, the Swiftest of *Jupiter* of 25,500 Miles in the same Space of one Hour: And that even we, upon the Surface of this Earth, when we cross the Line, with all our Building, move along 1030 Miles in an Hour; and that by consequence, in this Latitude I myself, while I seem to be at rest, writing this Treatise in my Study, do yet, together with my Study and my Books, revolve at the rate of above 600 Miles in the same Time. Nay, we here get a Step farther, and, without going down into the Central Regions of any one of the Celestial Bodies, do certainly pronounce, not only concerning the Mathematical *Quality* of *Bulk* or *Magnitude*, but in many Cases concerning the real physical *Quantity of Matter* contain'd in those Bodies, as compar'd, I mean, with one another; which is as far as Philosophy can possibly carry us. Whereby we find that the Moon, which is the least of all those Bodies, whose Quantities of Matter we know, is not quite the 9,000,000th Part so great in this Respect as the Sun; and that the Quantity of Matter of all the Planets and Comets taken together, does not in Probability amount to the 500th Part of that in the Sun alone.

'Moreover, we here certainly discover, by Consequence, the very inward Texture of the same celestial Bodies, whose Quantities of Matter were above determin'd; and, without digging into the Bowels of any of the Planets, do, with equal Certainty, pronounce what comparative Degree of *Density* they have: Whereby we learn, that the Sun is vastly too dense for a Flame, as *Cartes* determin'd; and that the *Moon* is the densest, and *Saturn* the rarest of all these Bodies; and that the former is above eight Times as dense as the latter. Which Conclusions shew the admirable Nature, and profound Reach of Sir *Isaac Newton's* Philosophy; which, with equal Ease and Certainty, penetrates to such deep Truths, as no other Hypotheses do so much as in the least hope or pretend to attain to, even by Conjecture. Nor do we stop here; but, placing ourselves on the several *Surfaces* of the forementiond Planets, we, by certain Reasoning, determine the comparative *Weight* of any given Body on those several Surfaces; and observe, with great Satisfaction, that the same Strength that can here lift One hundred Pounds, would not be able, on the *Sun's* Surface, to lift four Pounds; and that what on the *Moon's* Surface, where this Weight is the least, would weigh one Pound, would, if transfer'd to the *Sun's* Surface, where it is the greatest, weigh above 71 of the same Pounds. We do also here contemplate those *Diurnal Motions* with respect to the other heavenly Bodies, which we are forced to gather by Geometrical Reasoning, with respect to our own Earth; and which the several Inhabitants of those Bodies (if such they are, and if they be provided with such Means of seeing our Earth, as our Telescopes have of late afforded us for seeing them) may also contemplate with their Eyes: Whereby we find that they do revolve in Periods sufficiently unequal, from the Slowest, that of the *Moon*, in 27 ½ Days, to the Swiftest, that of *Jupiter*, in a little less than 10 Hours: Which Sight seems to me to be a kind of sensible Confirmation of the like *Diurnal Motion* of our Earth.

'We are here also taught to estimate the different *Degrees of Heat and Light*, which our Fellow Creatures derive from the great Fountain of both, the *Sun*, when nearer, and when farther off than we are: Which Difference is so vastly great, even at the mean Distances of the several Bodies from the *Sun*, that *Mercury*, the nearest, has in a Mean no less than 120,000 times the Quantity of Light and Heat which the utmost Comet has; and that the Heat, at the *Sun's* Surface, is no less than 45,000 times as great as any Part of this Earth receives from it at any Time; and that withal the outmost of our known Comets abides at one Time an Heat more than 400,000,000 of Times as great as it does another. An *amazing Difference* this! and such as is no where else to be parallel'd, that we know of, in the whole System of Nature. We here also see how soon our Earth, and any of the Planets, would *fall to the Sun*, or to their central Bodies, if their projectile Velocities should cease; from the innermost of the Circumjovials, which would fall to *Jupiter* in seven Hours, to the outmost Comet, which would not fall from its middle Distance to the *Sun* under 66 Years.

[*To be continued.*]

FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

Constantinople, Dec. 2. Great Rejoicings have been made here on account of the News of a Victory obtain'd over the Persians by Hussein Bashaw, Governor

of Mosul; a Relation of which has been publish'd and deliver'd to all the Foreign Ministers. According to this Account the Victory was gain'd in the latter End of the Month of September; and, in consequence thereof, the Shah Nadir had found it necessary to retire towards the Frontiers of his Dominions. This News came so critically, that it looks as if it had been contriv'd on purpose to quiet the Disorders in this Capital, which have lately broke out into Tumults little short of Rebellion. A War with Persia is what, of all Things, the People hate; and therefore oppose, with the greatest Earnestness, the marching Troops against that Power. Our Rejoicings therefore are not more occasion'd on the Score of the Victory gain'd by the Port over its Enemies, than from the Hopes the People have conceiv'd, that now there will be no Occasion to reinforce the Troops that are in Asia. Time will discover to us how well these popular Notions, and how well the Court News are founded. The Russian Minister dispatch'd a Courier to his Court as soon as he had receiv'd the Paper from Hussein Bashaw; but other Foreign Ministers were not so hasty.

Genoa, Dec. 24. A Courier who has pass'd thro' this City, going from Madrid to Naples, reports, that a great Quantity of warlike Stores are shipping at Barcelona for the Coast of Provence.

Turin, Dec. 25. Admiral Matthews arriv'd here Yesterday, and was introduced the same Day to the King, who receiv'd him very graciously, and discours'd with him a long Time: His Excellency has since conferr'd with the Marquess d'Ormea, Prime Minister. This Admiral is come hither on Occasion of the great Armaments making at Toulon and other Places on the Coast of Provence, and will go back to his Fleet after he has taken proper Measures with the Ministry for defeating, if possible, the Enemy's Designs.

Toulon, Dec. 25. Vice-Admiral Navarre, Commandant of the Spanish Squadron in this Harbour, assembled all the Captains under him the 20th Instant, and acquainted them with the Orders he had receiv'd from Madrid to keep the said Squadron in Readiness to put to Sea on the first Notice. Within these few Days 800 Sailors are arriv'd from Catalonia and Valentia, which Number will go near to compleat the Companies of the Spanish Men of War.

Hanover, Jan. 1. Within these few Days four Couriers arriv'd from London, who proceeded to Vienna, Petersbourg, Stockholm and Copenhagen. We have heard with a great deal of Satisfaction, by their Dispatches, that the C—— thas the Majority in the P——t, and that Resolutions have been taken therein to prosecute the War with the utmost Vigour against Spain, and at the same time effectually support the Queen of Hungary.

Marseilles, Dec. 31. An Embargo is laid on all the Ships in this and the neighbouring Ports, the King having taken up for two Months all the Sailors, Pilots and Masters of them, to serve in the Embarkation of Troops for Italy: The Departure of the Toulon Fleet is fix'd for the 19th of next Month at farthest.

Vienna, Jan. 1. Upon the 30th of last Month Prince Charles was bethrothed to the Archdutchess Marianne, when there was a sumptuous Ball at Court. It is said that the Marriage will be solemnized on the 7th, if the Writings can be got ready by that Time; and that 13 or 14 Knights of the Order of the Golden Fleece are to be created upon that Occasion.

M. Lantzinski, the Russian Minister, had a few Days ago a long Conference with our Ministry, in which he insisted more strenuously than ever, in the Name of the Empress his Sovereign, on speedy and ample Satisfaction concerning the Affair of the Marquess de Botta, pursuant to the new Rescript he has receiv'd from his Court. We are the more surpriz'd at this, because we expected that the Russian Court would have waited for the Motives on which the Marquess de Botta's Vindication is grounded, and which are such as we had all the Reason in the World to hope the Empress would have been satisfied with.

Francfort, Jan. 5. The Emperor has lately receiv'd a large Sum of Money from Spain, and expects some time this Month considerable Remittances from France, all which is destin'd for augmenting his Imperial Majesty's Troops. Our Accounts from Petersbourg continue to be as favourable as the Court can desire.

Hamburg, Jan. 5. Some Advices from Petersbourg say, that the Swedish Court has propos'd to Russia to act in Conjunction the Fleets of both Crowns to act in Conjunction the next Spring, and to employ the Russian Gallies in making a Diversion on the Coasts of Denmark, in case they must come to a Rupture with this Kingdom. [From the Wording of this Piece of News, may be imagine, that some other Power, besides Denmark, may be taken to talk.] The Empress has declar'd in general Terms, that Sweden may depend on being effectually assisted in case of need, but has not yet explain'd herself in regard to this Proposal.

Hamburg, Jan. 7. Private Letters from Copenhagen say, that Count Tessin having propos'd a Match between the Princess Royal of Denmark with the Prince Royal of Sweden, in order to pave the Way for a Reconciliation between the two Crowns, his Danish Majesty inform'd that Embassador, that the Marriage of the Princess, his Daughter, with the Duke of Cumberland, was in too great Forwardness to give Ear to Sweden's Proposal.

Brussels, Jan. 6. The Number of Troops which the French Court brings from divers Quarters to our Frontiers, is so great, that there is hardly room enough for them in the Fortresses; so that part of them are oblig'd to canton.

Brussels, Jan. 9. We have receiv'd Advice, that a Detachment of French Hussars have made an Incursion at Chimai, on the Frontiers of this Country, and committed divers hostile Acts there, of which the Government has taken an exact Account, in order to send it to Vienna and some other Courts. A Report is just spread, that a large Body of French Troops have carried off 300 Hussars, who were going to St. Hubert in the Dutchy of Luxembourg.

Dunkirk, Jan. 6. The Weather here has been for some Days past violently stormy, and done great Damage, not only to our new Works next the Sea, but also to our Shipping, many of which have been wreck'd upon the Coast of Flanders; eight Merchant-Ships were lost, but the Crews belonging to them were happily preserved. Every Day there appears floating, parts of Vessels which have been cast away.

From the Paris Ariamain, Jan. 15.

'They write from Auxerre, that the Princess of Nassau had caused her Castle of d'Lisle, about eight Leagues from that City, to be fortified; after which she armed her Domesticks, and took Abundance of the neighbouring Peasants into her Pay; who having chosen Commanders amongst themselves, spread eight Leagues round, burnt and pillag'd several Hamlets, and, amongst other Enormities, carried off the Equipage of the Count de St. Maur; upon which that Lord first complained to the Princess, and being able to obtain no Redress, thought proper to inform the Court of what had pass'd, upon which two Troops of Horse, and eight Brigades of Marshals-Men, were sent down, who invested the Castle; and, after a Blockade of three Weeks, forced the Princess to surrender. We are assur'd, she was immediately conducted to a Convent, where she remains under a Guard; and as for her Domesticks, they are sent to the Prisons of Troyes, and Orders given for their Prosecution.

'Actions 2020 Livres.

PLANTATION NEWS.

Frederica in Georgia, Sept. 27. One of our Boats took a Boat in Sapola Sound with seven Frenchmen on board, whom they brought to this Place. One of them was the Mate, and the rest Sailors, belonging to a Ship which they said was French, but we suppose to be Spanish, lying at Anchor off Sapola, in great Distress, having lost their Rudder, as they said. These Men were sent to look for some Inhabitants, (taking this to be the Spanish Coast) to give them Assistance; the Captain and all the Men having left the Ship. Capt. William Horton, who commands in this Town, dispatch'd two Boats instantly, to prevent the Indians on Sapola and St. Katharine's from destroying them, supposing they would take them for Spaniards, as we believe they are; and order'd a Detachment of General Oglethorp's Regiment, commanded by Capt. James Mackay, on board the Guard Schooner; and gave Orders to Capt. Davis, Commander of the said Schooner, to proceed with the utmost Dispatch to the Assistance of the Ship, and to bring her into Jekyl Sound. He also sent out Capt. Mark Carr with a Party of his Company of Boatmen, to give what Assistance he could in saving the Ship. On Saturday last Capt. Davis brought the Ship in Tow of our Bar; but the Wind blowing very fresh, came to an Anchor; but his Cable parting, and Capt. Carr losing his Anchor, they were obliged to leave the Ship with one Anchor only off the Bar, and run in themselves. Capt. Horton sent out Archer the Pilot with a Long Boat and a Schooner, to save the Men, in case the Ship should drive from her Anchor; but the next Day, the Wind being fair, they cut the Cable and brought her safe into Jekyl Sound. She has on board, in Spanish Silver, between 11 and 1200 l. Sterling. Her Cargo consists of Cochineal, Indigo, and Sugar; and, according to the Captain's Computation, upwards of 10,000 l. Sterling Value. It will be prov'd she was loaded in the Havanna for Old Spain, tho' they have counterfeit Papers on board, pretending she is a French Ship.

IRELAND.

Birr, Dec. 20. A melancholy Accident happen'd a few Days ago at a Gentleman's House here. The Cook-Maid making some Broth, unfortunately made use of a Paper of Poison, which she casually met with, instead of Flour, for thickning it; of which she herself, with ten more who supp'd of it, died in a short Time.

Portarlington, Dec. 26. Last Week, at a Barring-out in the School of Ollory, a Gentleman who had two Sons there, hearing they were in great Want of Provisions, was determin'd to have them out; when he arriv'd at the School, he demanded his Sons, but was saluted by one of the Scholars with a loaded Pistol, which happily missed Fire in three several Attempts made to discharge it; which Treatment so enrag'd the Gentleman, that he instantly broke open the Door, rush'd in, and perceiving the Lad who used him in the Manner already mention'd, drew his Sword, and, 'tis said, run him directly thro' the Body.

Dublin, Dec. 27. Wednesday last died, at his House in Fleet-street, Mr. Gibson, a noted Merchant in this City.

Dublin, Jan. 3. Last Week Sir Booth Gore, Bart. was married to Miss Newcomen, Daughter of Brabazon Newcomen of the County of Lowth, Esq; a beautiful young Lady of fine Accomplishments, and a large Fortune.

Several Officers of General Legonier's Regiment of Horse now quarter'd in Flanders, are arriv'd here, to raise Recruits for that Regiment, which is compos'd of Irishmen only.

COUNTRY NEWS.

Bristol, Jan. 7. A few Days ago died Mr. Robert Maundrel, an eminent and much esteem'd Attorney in this City.

As did also on Monday last, Mr. John Andrews, at his House in Castle-Green; formerly an eminent Wine-Merchant, and one of the People call'd Quakers. He liv'd a retir'd Life for many Years, and has died immensely rich.

LONDON.

It is reported that the *Foreign Mercenaries* will be not only taken again into *B——h* Pay, but into the *full Pay of B—— h Troops.* ——We hope this Report is *without Foundation*; but cannot be too *jealous* of those who could dare propose the entertaining them *at all.*

The long expected Intelligence from abroad has as last given us no Prospect of a *safe Year*, either in the *Military* or *Civil Departments*: News that certainly must have been very much *wanted*, in our present *exhausted Condition.*

Yesterday se'nnight, being Twelfth-Day, his Majesty, the Prince and Princess of Wales, the Duke and Princesse, went in State to the Chapel Royal, assisted at Divine Service, and during the Offertory his Majesty advanced to the Altar, and, according to the ancient Custom of the Kings of England offer'd three Purses fill'd with Gold, Frankincense and Myrrh, in Commemoration of the Presents made by the Eastern Magi, as on that Day at the Manifestation. At Noon there was a splendid Court, when the Knights Companions of the Most Noble Order of the Garter, Thistle, and Bath, appear'd in

the Collars of their reſpective Orders. In the Evening his Majeſty, with ſeveral of the Nobility, play'd at Hazard, according to Cuſtom, in the Drawing-Room, for the Benefit of the Groom-Porter. At Night there was a Ball for the Quality.

Every Thing is getting ready for the Embarkation of the Troops, and Tranſports will ſoon be taken up for carrying them abroad.

'Tis reported that his Royal Highneſs the Duke of Cumberland will go abroad early this Spring with General Wade.

Richard Herbert, Eſq; is elected Member of Parliament for Ludlow in Shropſhire, in the room of the Right Hon. the Lord Herbert of Cherbury, his Brother, now a Peer.

Laſt Week Mr. Martin Bowes, an ingenious Engineer, was appointed Maſter of the Train of Artillery, and Examiner of all the Guns, &c. in the Port of Portſmouth.

Monday an Order was iſſued out from the War-Office for draughting 8000 Troops, now in England, to be ſent, with all Expedition, to Germany, to fill up the Vacancies of the Britiſh Troops abroad.

The ſame Day an Order was iſſu'd out from the Board of Ordnance for 8000 Muſkets, with Belts, Balls, &c. anſwerable, to be ſhipp'd immediately for Germany, for the Uſe of his Majeſty's Forces.

Tueſday the Board of Ordnance appointed 100 additional Hands to be employ'd at Woolwich, in order to expedite the Military Stores deſign'd for the Service of his Majeſty's Forces in Germany.

The ſame Day 1000 Barrels of Beef and Pork were ſhipp'd at the Tower for the Service of his Majeſty's Fleet at Jamaica; as was alſo at the ſame time a large Quantity of dry Proviſions for the Fleet under the Command of Admiral Matthews.

Capt. Durand is appointed Colonel of a Company in the firſt Regiment of Foot-Guards, in the room of Col. Hoffam, who has reſign'd.

Monday the Commiſſioners of the Exciſe appointed Mr. Webb to be one of the Supervifors of the City of York, in the room of Mr. Feaſt, deceas'd.

Tueſday the Lords of the Treaſury appointed Mr. Lowe to be an Inſpector of Portſmouth Yard and and Clerk of Plymouth, in the room of Mr. Jonathan Wharton, deceas'd.

The ſame Day the Commiſſioners of the Cuſtoms appointed Mr. Saunders to be a Surveyor of the Cuſtoms, in the room of Mr. Ware, deceas'd.

We hear from Ireland, that the Hon. James Annesley, Eſq; having petition'd his Majeſty for the Titles of Baron Altham, and Viſcount Valentia, in that Kingdom, his Majeſty had referr'd the ſame to the Prime Serjeant, and Attorney and Solicitor General of Ireland, to enquire into the ſame and report their Opinion; and they having repor ed in favour of the Petitioner, the Petition, Report, &c. were referr'd to the Houſe of Lords there, who have adjourn'd the Conſideration thereof for ſome Time; Lord Nettervil's Trial for Murder being appointed for the 18th Inſtant.

We hear that James Carr, of St. Hellen Aukland in the Biſhoprick of Durham, Eſq; hath lately been unanimouſly choſen Maſter of the Trinity-Houſe of Newcaſtle upon Tyne; which is one of the moſt conſiderable, as well as numerous, Body of Men belonging to that Corporation.

Laſt Week was married at Weſtham in Eſſex, James Francis Leigh, Eſq; a Gentleman poſſeſs'd of a large Eſtate in Derbyſhire, to Miſs Anna-Fidelia-Carolina Forteſcue, of Brook-ſtreet, Groſvenor-ſquare, a celebrated Beauty, with a Fortune of 20000 l.

Laſt Sunday Mr. Smithſon, a wealthy Timber-Merchant at Lambeth, was married at St. Paul's Cathedral to Miſs Frances Armſtrong, Daughter of Mr. Armſtrong, a Maltſter at Huntingdon, a young Lady of great Merit, with a Fortune of 8000 l.

On Sunday laſt was married at St. Katherine's at the Tower, Mr. Wilks, a Surveyor in the Exciſe, to Mrs. Hamilton, Widow of Mr. Hamilton, formerly a wealthy Corn-factor in Reading, an agreeable Lady with a large Fortune.

Laſt Sunday Mr. Beſt, a wealthy Ironmonger at Birmingham in Warwickſhire, was married at St. Paul's Cathedral to Miſs Corderoy, of Gracechurch-Street, a near Relation to the Earl of Suffolk; a beautiful young Lady with a Fortune of 10,000 l.

Laſt Monday John Dunſtal, of St. Mary Offery in Devonſhire, Eſq; was married at St. Andrew, Underſhaft, in Leadenhall-Street, to Miſs Holloway, of Bridgewater-Square; an agreeable young Lady with a Fortune of 10,000 l.

Monday was married at St. Martin's in the Fields, Mr. George Thompſon, of York, Wine-Merchant, to Miſs Henrietta Conſtantia Wurſam, a young Lady of great Merit and 10,000 l. Fortune.

Laſt Tueſday Thomas Eyton, of Eyton in the County of Salop, Eſq; was married in Ely-houſe Chapel in Holbourn to Miſs Anne Butts, ſecond Daughter of the Right Rev. the Lord Biſhop of Ely. The Ceremony was perform'd by his Lordſhip.

The Right Hon. the Counteſs of Yarmouth, who has been dangerouſly ill, is ſo well recover'd as to ſee Company.

Laſt Week died at Ghent, Doctor John Baillie, Phyſician to the Engliſh Army in Flanders, and one of the Phyſicians of the Royal Hoſpital at Hyde-Park Corner.

On Saturday died at his Houſe in the Bridge-Yard, Southwark, aged 76, John Nicholas, Eſq; Juſtice of the Peace for the Bridge-Houſe; and in the Commiſſion for the County of Surrey.

On Saturday died at his Houſe in King-ſtreet, Covent-Garden, Mr. Fero, a noted Orange Merchant.

On Saturday Night died at her Houſe in Serjeants-Inn, Fleet-Street, Mrs. Ward, Wife of Col. Ward, and Siſter to Sir Henry Vincent.

On Saturday Night died in an advanced Age, at her Houſe at Carſhalton, Mrs. Sarah Huſſey, a Maiden Lady of a large Fortune.

Laſt Sunday Morning died, of an Inflammation in his Lungs, Mr. Weſt, an Inſpector of the Cuſtoms in the Port of London, reputed worth 10,000 l.

The ſame Morning died at his Houſe in Manchester Court, Channel-Row, Mr. Sawyer, lately an eminent Woollen-draper in King's-ſtreet, Weſtminſter, but having acquir'd a conſiderable Fortune, he retir'd from Buſineſs.

Sunday died of the Small-Pox, at his Houſe in St. James's-Street, Cornet Lee, Nephew to the late Earl of Litchfield, Gentleman Uſher to her Royal Highneſs the Princeſs Amelia.

Monday Morning died, of an Apoplectick Fit, at his Houſe in Piccadilly, Mr. Watkins, an eminent Corn-Factor, reputed worth 12,000 l.

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Laſt Night a Fire broke out in Charles-Square, Hoxton, at the Houſe of Mrs. Grill, which entirely conſum'd the ſame and damag'd ſeveral others.

Laſt Wedneſday ſe'nnight, about Four in the After-noon, a ſingle Highwayman attack'd a Coach, in which were two Ladies and a Gentleman, juſt by the Sun at Shooters-hill, and preſenting a Piſtol, demanded their Money; but before they had Time to deliver, a Butcher of Greenwich, and ſome other Company coming up, the Highwayman thought proper to make off, without his Booty. The Butcher and his Companions being alarm'd, purſued him, but the Highwayman turn'd upon them, and ſwore, if either of them mov'd an Inch, he would fire at them; they were not daunted at this, but follow'd him as far as Lewiſham-Waſh, when one of them had the Reſolution to ride up, ſeize the Rogue by the Collar, and drag him off his Horſe, at which Time he fir'd a Piſtol, but happily did no Miſchief; they ſcuffled ſome Time, but the Collar of the Highwayman's Coat being tore off, and he being too ſtrong for his Aſſailant, diſengag'd himſelf and ran into the adjoining Fields, and by the Darkneſs of the Night got clear away; and at going off, fir'd a Piſtol, ſwearing he knew one of the Purſuers, and in leſs than a Week would blow his Brains out. They ſecur'd his Horſe, Saddle and Bridle. The Horſe is a fine ſtrong bay Gelding. The Highwayman was well equipp'd, and had on clean ruffled Linnen, and a bob-Wig. It is ſaid he committed ſeveral Robberies on Black-Heath in Chriſtmas Holidays.

Laſt Saturday Night, about Eleven o'Clock, Mr. Hawkins, a Hatter at Wandſworth, was attack'd in Batterſea-Field by two Footpads arm'd with Piſtols and Hangers, who robb'd him of three Guineas and ſome Silver, and then made off: At parting, they bid Mr. Hawkins ery *Pounce*, if any others attack'd him before he got home.

The ſame Night Mr. Scott, a Weaver in Gravel-Lane, Southwark, was attack'd near South Lambeth by two Footpads, arm'd with Cutlaſſes and Piſtols, who beat him in a barbarous and cruel Manner, and took from him ſeven Shillings and ſome Halfpence, and then made off: They are ſuppos'd to be the ſame Fellows that robb'd Mr. Hawkins; they were dreſs'd in Soldiers Clothes, and both young.

Laſt Sunday Night Mr. Boon, a Tideſman belonging to the Cuſtom-Houſe, was attack'd by three Footpads near Gravel-Lane End, in St. George's Fields, who tied his Hands behind him, and robb'd him of Half a Guinea and ſome Silver, and then made off.

On Saturday Night Iſaac Colethurſt, Eſq; of Deptford, was attack'd by four Fellows at Peckham-Gap, who robb'd him of his Watch and a Guinea in Gold, and immediately made off.

Laſt Tueſday a Search Warrant for a great Parcel of ſtolen Goods, ſuppos'd to be conceal'd in the Houſe of one who goes by the Nickname of Beſs Cane, was granted by Col. De Veil, and two Conſtables attempted to ſerve it at the ſaid Cane's Houſe in Croſs-Lane, near Newtoners-Lane (who has been a notorious Offender for many Years in receiving ſtolen Goods) ſeveral Gamblers, and other diſorderly Perſons, ſallied out of the Houſe, and from an Alehouſe, with Fire-Arms and Cutlaſſes, among whom was one Limock, who oblig'd the Conſtables to retire with great Precipitation. This being reported to Col. De Veil, he immediately diſpatch'd a great Poſſe of Conſtables there; but the Houſe was clear'd and all the Villains fled. In the firſt Search the Conſtables found a great Quantity of very fine Linnen and ſeveral Pounds of Sewing Silk; and other Goods of Value, but durſt not bring any thing away, their Lives being at Stake.

We have an Account, that the Nazareth of Poole, from Carolina; the Jenny of Topſham, from Newfoundland; the Vernon of Briſtol; the Endeavour of London; the Lovely Mary, Lambert; the ———, Young, from Biddeford, for Virginia; and a Ship from St Chriſtopher's, are taken by the Spaniards.

It is ſaid, that there are four Ships taken and carried into Bilboa; but whether any of thoſe mention'd above, or others, we are not certain.

The Charles-Town, Whitbone, from Oporto for London, is taken by a Spaniſh Privateer, and carried into Galicia.

The Anne, Robinſon, from Cork for Leghorn, was taken by the Spaniards, in the Gut of Gibraltar, and afterwards loſt.

Extract of a Letter from Frederica in Georgia, dated Sept. 12, 1743.

'On the 28th of July Capt. Griffith, in the Fame 'Privateer, brought a Spaniſh Ship, taken by him 'on the Coaſt of Florida, into Amelia Sound in this 'Province. The Spaniſh Maſter of the Sloop, and 'the Sailors, had quitted her, and got aſhore in their 'Boat; leaving a Lieutenant, two young Gentlemen, 'two Frenchmen, and 25 Spaniſh Soldiers on board. 'They were bound for the Havannah, and ſail'd in

Company with several other Vessels from Augustine, to bring Provisions to that Garrison. The Spanish Soldiers are brought to this Town Prison; the two Frenchmen voluntarily enter'd on board the Privateer.

Sheriffs appointed by his Majesty in Council for the Year ensuing, viz.

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Devonshire,	Postpon'd.
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Montgomery,	Thomas Foulkes, of Penthryn, Esq;

From the London Gazette.

At the Court at St. James's, the fifth Day of January, 1744. PRESENT,

The King's Most Excellent Majesty in Council.

This Day the Right Hon. Richard Lord Edgecumbe was, by his Majesty's Command, sworn of his Majesty's Most Honourable Privy-Council, and took his Place at the Board accordingly.

Whitehall, Jan. 2. The King has been pleas'd to appoint the Right Hon. Samuel Lord Sandys, Baron of Ombersley, to be Cofferer of his Majesty's Household; his Lordship was this Day sworn into the said Office.

BANKRUPTS.

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